

CHANGES TO OPA 90 VESSEL LIMITS OF LIABILITY²

If the vessel is a	The original limit of liability limit was the greater of—	The amended limit of liability is the greater of—
Tank vessel greater than 3,000 gross tons with a single hull, with double sides only, or with a double bottom only.	\$1,200 per gross ton or \$10,000,000	\$3,000 per gross ton or \$22,000,000.
Tank vessel less than or equal to 3,000 gross tons with a single hull, with double sides only, or with a double bottom only.	\$1,200 per gross ton or \$2,000,000	\$3,000 per gross ton or \$6,000,000.
Tank vessel greater than 3,000 gross tons with a double hull.	\$1,200 per gross ton or \$10,000,000	\$1,900 per gross ton or \$16,000,000.
Tank vessel less than or equal to 3,000 gross tons with a double hull.	\$1,200 per gross ton or \$2,000,000	\$1,900 per gross ton or \$4,000,000.
Any vessel other than a tank vessel	\$600 per gross ton or \$500,000	\$950 per gross ton or \$800,000.

²Sources: 33 U.S.C. 2704(a) immediately prior to amendment by DRPA, and 33 U.S.C. 2704(a) as amended by DRPA Section 603(a). Although the original and current versions of 33 U.S.C. 2704(a) both distinguish between vessels on the basis of their gross tonnage and whether they are tank vessels, 33 U.S.C. 2704(a) as amended by DRPA Section 603(a) now also distinguishes between single-hulled and double-hulled tank vessels.